

the students, a young man, was baptized by Brother Miller.

The meetings at Falls City, Neb., by the pastor Brother Harrison, assisted by Brother Gillin, have thus far resulted in eight accessions. They are continued indefinitely.

A postal card from Brother English, New Troy, Mich., says: "We are in the midst of a glorious revival. Ten confessions so far. Brother Wm. Miller is doing the preaching."

A very striking thought in Brother Livingood's "How to Enjoy Our Religion," in this issue, is that we must have enough of it to enjoy. Let the reader please make a note of that. Too many scarcely get a taste of the article.

If you have ever had any doubts as to what Paul meant in his letter to the Corinthians where he speaks of the "Lord's Supper," please read the article by Brother Rensch in this issue on that subject, and your doubts will scatter like chaff before the wind. Brother Rensch has given this subject special study, and he is giving our readers the benefit of his research.

According to the communication by Brother Cassel, "Oneness of Purpose," on another page, the missionary zeal of the Brethren church is not yet able to stand the approach of an appeal for funds without being "quenched." It is but fair however to state that the "thinning" out of the audience from 1,000 to 100 persons, was not in anticipation of such an appeal.

The whole brotherhood will rejoice over the good news from Ankenytown, Ohio. Truly the brethren of that congregation have reasons to thank God and take courage. Brother Kimmel, the pastor, is now holding forth the Word at North Liberty, but we have had no news from that point. He is a faithful, earnest, gospel preacher. The inconsistent church member and the sinner in general become very uncomfortable under the kind of preaching he does.

The time of the meeting of the Trustees of Ashland College, has been changed from December 27 to December 26. This will give those who attend the meeting the advantage of reduced rates. The change is made by order of the secretary of the Board, Brother Deffenbaugh. We trust that nothing may hinder the Board from having a good meeting. Please remember the time, December 26, at 9 a. m.

Our readers will please note the announcement of the Missionary Convention, by Brother Furry, to be held at the Fairview church, near South Bend, Ind. A special invitation is extended to all the churches of Indiana, tho the invitation is not limited to the brethren of that state. A very interesting program has been prepared and we have every reason to believe that the meeting will be a great success. Let the people of Indiana join hands and hearts in making it so.

We thank Brother Lyon for his words of encouragement referring to the EVANGELIST. It helps one to know that his labors are appreciated. Thro the earnest efforts of Brother Lyon the Washington City Mission now has a subscription list of 22, besides five or six subscriptions secured by him, and sent to other offices. These subscriptions, he says, they not only mean to hold, but increase the list. At proportionate rates throughout the brotherhood, the EVANGELIST subscription list would be more than doubled.

We are glad to be able to publish in this issue a communication from Brother Spanogle from whom the brotherhood should hear more frequently. We are also pleased to announce that our brother has resolved to attend next National Conference. We trust this resolution will end in something more practical than many of the conference "whereases and resolutions" as he sees them, and also that after attending the Conference of 1899, he may think differently of the value of these meetings. They are not like the old time Annual Meeting. In many im-

portant respects they are quite different. There is less of the "ich hobs decide" in them. We appreciate your opinion of the EVANGELIST, brother. We are laboring hard to give the Brethren church a paper worthy of the cause it represents.

Many of our readers express themselves as exceedingly well pleased with the EVANGELIST. We appreciate the many kind and encouraging words from our friends and heartily thank them. We do not wish to weary our readers with these expressions of appreciation, but many of them contain excellent thoughts and suggestions aside from the opinion they express. The following from a brother whose name we withhold is one of them, and but for the fact above stated, our modesty would forbid it space: "Let me tell you that you are issuing a first class paper, superior to the average and as good as the best. You ought to be proud of it, and the church ought to be proud of it to the extent of giving it a most generous and liberal support. Of this there should not be any doubt, for the Brethren church is intelligent enough, and enterprising enough and progressive enough to sustain in a most marked and effective way a church paper which reflects so much credit upon it, and is such a powerful agency for its development and growth. A Church Publishing House which is doing good, able and effective work ought to be liberally endowed."

Brief Notes

There is a clock in Belgium Brusses which is automatically wound up by the wind. Some preachers and writers ought to have a strong fellow feeling for that clock.

The parental instinct is absent from the insect tribe, the young being always left to their own devices—which is a method in nature not unlike the practice of some parents, pastors and churches.

It is said that blind men outnumber blind women two to one, which if it is a fact has its counterpart in the realm of grace, as any one may see by looking at the membership of the churches. Were it not for women, there would be neither religion nor civilization, and we need not wonder why it is so, for these two have brought to her an emancipation from a bondage so disgraceful and tyrannous that the record of it will be man's everlasting shame.

The censorious man ought to have reversible eyes, for then, by occasionally looking inwardly, he might be deterred by shame from harsh criticism of others. There is a call for the man who can invent reversible eyes.

The race riots in the Carolinas and in Illinois have been defended and they have been condemned. In principle they are the same, and are liable to occur in any community where a like conjunction of circumstances give opportunity to the baser elements in the community, and in human nature. The Chinese massacres in the western states, the slaughter of the South African tribes, the extermination of our own Indians are all outbreaks of the same principle of selfishness, the tyranny of the strong over the weak. Society has always held that the complete subordination of the burden bearing class is essential to its very organization, and any attempt of the slave to break his chain has therefore been regarded as a crime deserving of the severest punishment. How hard the human heart may become under the influence of this sentiment may be seen in the sanguinary glare of murder, where even ministers of the gospel for the time being transform themselves into the apologists, if not the abettors, of atrocity and crime.

Presto change, the Spanish colonies are to become American possessions in a day, and instead of Don Hidalgo waxing fat on the fried out fat of the unfortunate natives, behold the thrifty politician of the great Republic doing the same business on a larger but more civilized scale. Alien races have not heretofore been deliriously happy under the paternal thumb of Uncle Samuel, as witness the negro, the Chinese and the Indian, and if the Philipinos realize

a measure of disappointment when they enter this exuberant eden of American exploitation, it will not be difficult for them to find historical precedents for their experience. They say we must send the gospel to them. By all means let it be done, for in the disappointments incident to all who lean upon human nature, in whatever genteel disguise it appears, they will need all the divine comforts. Perhaps it would do them a better service to send the gospel into the heathendom of political circles. Let us convert the politicians, and again astound the world with the gigantic miracles of Christianity.

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